

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 888

To authorize the disinterment from the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial in Luxembourg of the remains of Private Ray A. Morgan, who died in combat in January 1945 in the Battle of the Bulge, and to authorize the transfer of his remains to the custody of his next of kin.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 2003

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF DISINTERMENT AND**  
4       **TRANSFER OF CUSTODY.**

5       (a) DISINTERMENT.—The Secretary of the Army and  
6       the American Battle Monuments Commission shall take

1 such steps as are necessary to authorize Robert Morgan  
2 of Paris, Illinois, the next of kin of the late Ray A. Mor-  
3 gan, to disinter from the Luxembourg American Cemetery  
4 and Memorial in Luxembourg the remains of Ray A. Mor-  
5 gan, located in Plot H, Row 12, Grave 76, who died in  
6 the Battle of the Bulge on January 18, 1945, while a pri-  
7 vate serving in the 83rd Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd  
8 Armored Division, United States Army.

9 (b) TRANSFER OF CUSTODY.—The Secretary of the  
10 Army and the American Battle Monuments Commission  
11 shall take such steps as are necessary to authorize the  
12 transfer of the remains of Ray A. Morgan to the custody  
13 of Robert Morgan.

14 (c) TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY.—In the event of the  
15 incapacitation or death of Robert Morgan, the subsequent  
16 next of kin of Ray A. Morgan may carry out the disinter-  
17 ment and receive custody of the remains of Ray A. Mor-  
18 gan, as authorized by this section.

19 (d) NO EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—No  
20 Federal funds may be expended for the disinterment and  
21 transfer of custody authorized by this section.

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